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[] Continuation)
) application under 37 CFR 1.60 (Rule 60)
 [X] Divisional)

of pending prior application of

Group Art Unit: 1104

Examiner: C. Chaudhari

For: LASER PROCESSING METHOD, METHOD FOR FORMING A FLASH
MEMORY, INSULATED GATE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD
FOR FORMING THE SAME

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

To effect the above-requested filing today:

1. ☒ Attached is a true copy of the prior application as filed, including
☒ Specification and claims as originally filed;
☒ Declaration or Oath as originally filed;
☒ 8 sheets of informal drawings as originally filed
2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which will be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.
A duplicate copy of this form is attached.
3. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this

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application.

4. ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under Rule 55 and 35 USC 119 based on prior foreign application No: 4-316138 filed in Japan on October 30, 1992.

- a. ☐ Certified copy(s) attached.
☒ Certified copy already filed on October 28, 1993 in prior United States Serial No. 08/142,048, filed on October 28, 1993.

5. ☒ The prior application is assigned to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd.

6. ☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

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- a. ☒ The Power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
b. ☐ Since the Power does not appear in the original papers of the prior application, a copy of the Power is enclosed herewith.

7. ☐ Address all future communications to:

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8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence
+ This is a Divisional application of Serial No. 08/692,227 filed August 7, 1996, which itself is a Divisional application of Serial No. 08/355,652 filed December 14, 1994 (now U.S. Patent 5,569,615), which itself is a Divisional application of Serial No. 08/142,048 filed October 28, 1993 (now U.S. Patent 5,541,138).

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9. ☒ Cancel claims 2-20

(DO NOT CANCEL ALL CLAIMS)

10. ☐ Status as a Small Entity is requested. Executed Small Entity Declaration(s)

☐ is/are attached.

☐ was/were filed in prior application on _____

11. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as originally filed, less any claims above cancelled.

For:	<u>No. Filed</u>	<u>No. Extra</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee			\$770	\$770.00
Total Claims	<u>1</u> - 20 =		x 11/22	
Indep Claims	<u>1</u> - 3 =		x 40/80	
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim			+ 130/260	
			TOTAL	<u>\$770.00</u>

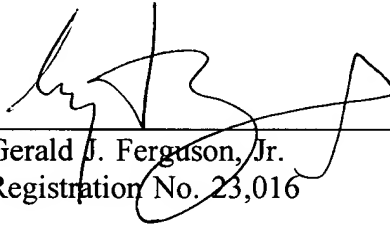
12. ☒ Preliminary Amendment attached, to be entered at once.

Total claim fee calculated after amendment:

Total Claims	<u>24</u> - <u>20</u> ** = <u>4</u>	x \$11/22****	\$88.00
Independent Claims	<u>6</u> - <u>3</u> *** = <u>3</u>	x \$40/80****	\$240.00
		Total Amendment Fee	\$328.00
		Total Filing Fee	<u>\$770.00</u>
		(from paragraph 11)	
		TOTAL FEE	<u>\$1098.00</u>

13. [X] A check in the amount of \$1098.00 to cover the TOTAL FEE is enclosed.
14. [] No fee is enclosed. The filing fee will be submitted later.
15. [X] It is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR 1.136 that the response term in the prior pending application be extended, if necessary, to a date which includes the filing date of the present application, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary extension fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

Respectfully submitted,



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